

AN ORDINANCE **98631**

AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION BY THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY INITIATIVES TO THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR, CRIMINAL JUSTICE DIVISION, FOR THE SAFE & DRUG FREE SCHOOLS GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$197,209.00 TO SUPPORT THE STRIVING TOGETHER TO ACHIEVE REWARDING TOMORROWS PROGRAM FROM SEPTEMBER 1, 2004 TO AUGUST 31, 2005 IN THREE ADDITIONAL SCHOOLS IN THE SAN ANTONIO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT.

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WHEREAS, the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division has announced the availability of funds from the Safe & Drug Free Schools Grant to promote safe and drug free neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, the City, through the Department of Community Initiatives, Youth Services Division, currently administers the Striving Together to Achieve Rewarding Tomorrows (START) program, a long-term, intensive case management program established by the Columbia University National Center for Addiction and Substance Abuse (CASA) in four schools; and

WHEREAS, the City, through the Department of Community Initiatives, Youth Services Division proposes to implement the START program in three additional schools; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Health and Human Services Center for Substance Abuse Prevention has recognized START as a model program; and

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Education has named START an exemplary program based on its "demonstrated effectiveness"; and

WHEREAS, CASA provides technical assistance to grant recipients without cost; and

WHEREAS, the total funding for the program is \$197,209.00; **NOW THEREFORE:**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

SECTION 1. The City Manager, the Deputy City Manager, an Assistant City Manager, an Assistant to the City Manager or the Director of the Department of Community Initiatives is hereby authorized to apply for, accept, reject, alter, or terminate the Safe and Drug Free Schools grant in the amount of \$197,209.00 from the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division to support the Striving Together to Achieve Rewarding Tomorrows Program from September 1, 2004 to August 31, 2005. The City Manager, the Deputy City Manager, an Assistant City Manager, an Assistant to the City Manager or the Director of the Department of Community Initiatives is furthered authorized to execute any and all necessary documents in connection with the application for this grant.

SECTION 2. In the event of loss or misuse of Criminal Justice Division funds, the City will return all funds to the Criminal Justice Division. Funding will be accomplished in a subsequent ordinance when the grant is approved.

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall be effective on and after the tenth (10th) day after passage hereof.

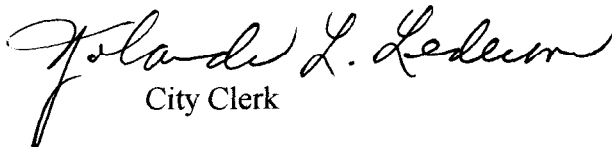
PASSED AND APPROVED this 18th day of December, 2003.



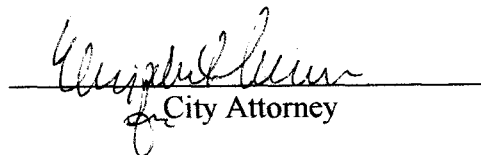
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EDWARD D. GARZA

ATTEST:


City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


City Attorney